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Applicant : Guarente et al. Art Unit : 1645
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Title : METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING AGENTS WHICH ALTER HISTONE
PROTEIN ACETYLATION, DECREASE AGING, INCREASE LIFESPAN

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated March 26, 2004, be extended for three months to and including September 27, 2004 (September 26, 2004 falling on a weekend).

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Respectfully submitted,

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